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For: CODING DEVICE AND CODING METHOD

Enclosed are:

- X A specification consisting of 33 pages
- X 9 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- X An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 Recording Fee
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- X Executed Declaration Original X Photocopy
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